## Assembly Bill No. 1750

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## CHAPTER \_\_\_\_\_

An act to amend Sections 6254, 6254.14, 6276.30, 11126, and 12651 of the Government Code, to amend Sections 1341.4, 1342.5, 1343, 1347.15, 1352, 1367.07, 1389.4, and 124595 of, to amend and renumber Section 11834 of, and to repeal Section 1342.1 of, the Health and Safety Code, to amend Sections 106 and 10113.95 of, and to repeal Section 12693.365 of, the Insurance Code, and to amend Sections 16915, 16932, 16933, 16934.5, 16935, 16935.5, and 16952 of, and to add Section 14115.75 to, the Welfare and Institutions Code, relating to health, and declaring the urgency thereof, to take effect immediately.

## LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1750, Committee on Health. Health.

(1) Existing law provides for the Medi-Cal program, administered by the State Department of Health Care Services, under which basic health care services are provided to qualified low-income persons.

Existing law, the False Claims Act, provides that a person who commits any one of several enumerated acts relating to the submission to the state or a political subdivision of the state of a false claim for money, property or services, as specified, may be liable to the state or political subdivision for a civil penalty of up to \$10,000 for the submission of the false claim.

This bill would establish a minimum civil penalty of \$5,000 for making a false claim, as specified, and would retain the maximum penalty of \$10,000. This bill would also require designated providers under the Medi-Cal program to comply with specified federal False Claims Act employee training and policy requirements as a condition of payment for services, goods, supplies, and merchandise provided to Medi-Cal beneficiaries.

(2) Existing law provides that the board of supervisors of a county that contracted with the State Department of Health Care Services pursuant to a specified provision of law during the 1990–91 fiscal year and any county with a population under 300,000, as determined in accordance with the 1990 decennial census, by adopting a resolution to that effect, may elect to

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participate in the County Medical Services Program (CMSP) for state administration of health care services to eligible persons in the county. Existing law requires the department to allocate funds from various sources to CMSP counties.

This bill would require that those funds be allocated to counties that are eligible to participate in the CMSP and would also make technical, nonsubstantive changes to these provisions.

(3) Existing law, the Knox-Keene Health Care Service Plan Act of 1975, provides for the licensure and regulation of health care service plans by the Department of Managed Health Care.

This bill would make technical, nonsubstantive changes to various provisions pertaining to the regulation of health care service plans and would also delete certain obsolete provisions.

(4) Existing law provides for the regulation of health insurers by the Department of Insurance and defines health insurance as an individual or group disability insurance policy that provides coverage for hospital, medical, or surgical benefits. Under existing law, a health insurer that markets and sells individual health insurance policies is required to maintain underwriting guidelines, as specified, and to file annually with the Insurance Commissioner a general description of its rating and underwriting guidelines for individual health insurance policies.

This bill would specify that the requirements applicable to a health insurer that markets and sells individual health insurance policies apply to a health insurer that issues, renews, or amends an individual health insurance policy, and would exempt from these requirements a closed block of business, as defined in existing law. The bill would provide that, effective January 1, 2008, the term "specialized health insurance policy" means a policy of health insurance for covered benefits in a single specialized area of health care.

(5) Existing law establishes the Healthy Families Program administered by the Managed Risk Medical Insurance Board to provide health care services to eligible children. Existing law authorizes certain geographic managed care plans, as defined, that do not have a commercial license from the Department of Managed Health Care to contract with the board for a maximum period of 12 months.

This bill would repeal that provision.

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(6) Existing law, the California Public Records Act, generally requires that records of state and local agencies be open to public inspection. Under existing law, certain records are exempt from this requirement, including specified records of the Managed Risk Medical Insurance Board relating to negotiations with health plans pursuant to the Access for Infants and Mothers Program, the California Major Risk Medical Insurance Program, the Healthy Families Program, and the County Health Initiative Matching Fund. Existing law requires a contract entered into pursuant to these negotiations, except specified portions, to be open to the public one year after they have been fully executed. Existing law also requires that all meetings of a state body, as defined, be open and public, unless it is authorized to meet in closed session for specified purposes.

This bill would expand the exemption for records under these other programs administered by the board to include those relating to negotiations with any entity contracting or seeking to contract with the board. This bill would also require the contracts to, instead, be open for inspection one year after their effective dates. The bill would further authorize the board to meet in closed session when considering the development of rates and contracting strategy pursuant to the Healthy Families Program, the Access for Infants and Mothers Program, the County Health Initiative Matching Fund, and the California Major Risk Medical Insurance Program.

- (8) This bill would declare that it is to take effect immediately as an urgency statute.
- (9) This bill would also incorporate amendments to Section 6254 of the Government Code, proposed by SB 449, to be operative only if SB 449 and this bill are both chaptered and become effective on or before January 1, 2008, and this bill is chaptered last.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:* 

SECTION 1. Section 6254 of the Government Code is amended to read:

- 6254. Except as provided in Sections 6254.7 and 6254.13, nothing in this chapter shall be construed to require disclosure of records that are any of the following:
- (a) Preliminary drafts, notes, or interagency or intra-agency memoranda that are not retained by the public agency in the

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ordinary course of business, if the public interest in withholding those records clearly outweighs the public interest in disclosure.

- (b) Records pertaining to pending litigation to which the public agency is a party, or to claims made pursuant to Division 3.6 (commencing with Section 810), until the pending litigation or claim has been finally adjudicated or otherwise settled.
- (c) Personnel, medical, or similar files, the disclosure of which would constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.
  - (d) Contained in or related to any of the following:
- (1) Applications filed with any state agency responsible for the regulation or supervision of the issuance of securities or of financial institutions, including, but not limited to, banks, savings and loan associations, industrial loan companies, credit unions, and insurance companies.
- (2) Examination, operating, or condition reports prepared by, on behalf of, or for the use of, any state agency referred to in paragraph (1).
- (3) Preliminary drafts, notes, or interagency or intra-agency communications prepared by, on behalf of, or for the use of, any state agency referred to in paragraph (1).
- (4) Information received in confidence by any state agency referred to in paragraph (1).
- (e) Geological and geophysical data, plant production data, and similar information relating to utility systems development, or market or crop reports, that are obtained in confidence from any person.
- (f) Records of complaints to, or investigations conducted by, or records of intelligence information or security procedures of, the office of the Attorney General and the Department of Justice, and any state or local police agency, or any investigatory or security files compiled by any other state or local police agency, or any investigatory or security files compiled by any other state or local agency for correctional, law enforcement, or licensing purposes. However, state and local law enforcement agencies shall disclose the names and addresses of persons involved in, or witnesses other than confidential informants to, the incident, the description of any property involved, the date, time, and location of the incident, all diagrams, statements of the parties involved in the incident, the statements of all witnesses, other than confidential informants, to the victims of an incident, or an authorized representative thereof,

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an insurance carrier against which a claim has been or might be made, and any person suffering bodily injury or property damage or loss, as the result of the incident caused by arson, burglary, fire, explosion, larceny, robbery, carjacking, vandalism, vehicle theft, or a crime as defined by subdivision (b) of Section 13951, unless the disclosure would endanger the safety of a witness or other person involved in the investigation, or unless disclosure would endanger the successful completion of the investigation or a related investigation. However, nothing in this division shall require the disclosure of that portion of those investigative files that reflects the analysis or conclusions of the investigating officer.

Customer lists provided to a state or local police agency by an alarm or security company at the request of the agency shall be construed to be records subject to this subdivision.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this subdivision, state and local law enforcement agencies shall make public the following information, except to the extent that disclosure of a particular item of information would endanger the safety of a person involved in an investigation or would endanger the successful completion of the investigation or a related investigation:

- (1) The full name and occupation of every individual arrested by the agency, the individual's physical description including date of birth, color of eyes and hair, sex, height and weight, the time and date of arrest, the time and date of booking, the location of the arrest, the factual circumstances surrounding the arrest, the amount of bail set, the time and manner of release or the location where the individual is currently being held, and all charges the individual is being held upon, including any outstanding warrants from other jurisdictions and parole or probation holds.
- (2) Subject to the restrictions imposed by Section 841.5 of the Penal Code, the time, substance, and location of all complaints or requests for assistance received by the agency and the time and nature of the response thereto, including, to the extent the information regarding crimes alleged or committed or any other incident investigated is recorded, the time, date, and location of occurrence, the time and date of the report, the name and age of the victim, the factual circumstances surrounding the crime or incident, and a general description of any injuries, property, or weapons involved. The name of a victim of any crime defined by Section 220, 261, 261.5, 262, 264, 264.1, 273a, 273d, 273.5, 286,

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288, 288a, 289, 422.6, 422.7, 422.75, or 646.9 of the Penal Code may be withheld at the victim's request, or at the request of the victim's parent or guardian if the victim is a minor. When a person is the victim of more than one crime, information disclosing that the person is a victim of a crime defined by Section 220, 261, 261.5, 262, 264, 264.1, 273a, 273d, 286, 288, 288a, 289, 422.6, 422.7, 422.75, or 646.9 of the Penal Code may be deleted at the request of the victim, or the victim's parent or guardian if the victim is a minor, in making the report of the crime, or of any crime or incident accompanying the crime, available to the public in compliance with the requirements of this paragraph.

- (3) Subject to the restrictions of Section 841.5 of the Penal Code and this subdivision, the current address of every individual arrested by the agency and the current address of the victim of a crime, where the requester declares under penalty of perjury that the request is made for a scholarly, journalistic, political, or governmental purpose, or that the request is made for investigation purposes by a licensed private investigator as described in Chapter 11.3 (commencing with Section 7512) of Division 3 of the Business and Professions Code. However, the address of the victim of any crime defined by Section 220, 261, 261.5, 262, 264, 264.1, 273a, 273d, 273.5, 286, 288, 288a, 289, 422.6, 422.7, 422.75, or 646.9 of the Penal Code shall remain confidential. Address information obtained pursuant to this paragraph may not be used directly or indirectly, or furnished to another, to sell a product or service to any individual or group of individuals, and the requester shall execute a declaration to that effect under penalty of perjury. Nothing in this paragraph shall be construed to prohibit or limit a scholarly, journalistic, political, or government use of address information obtained pursuant to this paragraph.
- (g) Test questions, scoring keys, and other examination data used to administer a licensing examination, examination for employment, or academic examination, except as provided for in Chapter 3 (commencing with Section 99150) of Part 65 of Division 14 of Title 3 of the Education Code.
- (h) The contents of real estate appraisals or engineering or feasibility estimates and evaluations made for or by the state or local agency relative to the acquisition of property, or to prospective public supply and construction contracts, until all of the property has been acquired or all of the contract agreement

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obtained. However, the law of eminent domain shall not be affected by this provision.

- (i) Information required from any taxpayer in connection with the collection of local taxes that is received in confidence and the disclosure of the information to other persons would result in unfair competitive disadvantage to the person supplying the information.
- (j) Library circulation records kept for the purpose of identifying the borrower of items available in libraries, and library and museum materials made or acquired and presented solely for reference or exhibition purposes. The exemption in this subdivision shall not apply to records of fines imposed on the borrowers.
- (k) Records, the disclosure of which is exempted or prohibited pursuant to federal or state law, including, but not limited to, provisions of the Evidence Code relating to privilege.
- (*l*) Correspondence of and to the Governor or employees of the Governor's office or in the custody of or maintained by the Governor's Legal Affairs Secretary. However, public records shall not be transferred to the custody of the Governor's Legal Affairs Secretary to evade the disclosure provisions of this chapter.
- (m) In the custody of or maintained by the Legislative Counsel, except those records in the public database maintained by the Legislative Counsel that are described in Section 10248.
- (n) Statements of personal worth or personal financial data required by a licensing agency and filed by an applicant with the licensing agency to establish his or her personal qualification for the license, certificate, or permit applied for.
- (o) Financial data contained in applications for financing under Division 27 (commencing with Section 44500) of the Health and Safety Code, where an authorized officer of the California Pollution Control Financing Authority determines that disclosure of the financial data would be competitively injurious to the applicant and the data is required in order to obtain guarantees from the United States Small Business Administration. The California Pollution Control Financing Authority shall adopt rules for review of individual requests for confidentiality under this section and for making available to the public those portions of an application that are subject to disclosure under this chapter.
- (p) Records of state agencies related to activities governed by Chapter 10.3 (commencing with Section 3512), Chapter 10.5 (commencing with Section 3525), and Chapter 12 (commencing

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with Section 3560) of Division 4, that reveal a state agency's deliberative processes, impressions, evaluations, opinions, recommendations, meeting minutes, research, work products, theories, or strategy, or that provide instruction, advice, or training to employees who do not have full collective bargaining and representation rights under these chapters. Nothing in this subdivision shall be construed to limit the disclosure duties of a state agency with respect to any other records relating to the activities governed by the employee relations acts referred to in this subdivision.

(q) Records of state agencies related to activities governed by Article 2.6 (commencing with Section 14081), Article 2.8 (commencing with Section 14087.5), and Article 2.91 (commencing with Section 14089) of Chapter 7 of Part 3 of Division 9 of the Welfare and Institutions Code, that reveal the special negotiator's deliberative processes, discussions, communications, or any other portion of the negotiations with providers of health care services, impressions, opinions, recommendations, meeting minutes, research, work product, theories, or strategy, or that provide instruction, advice, or training to employees.

Except for the portion of a contract containing the rates of payment, contracts for inpatient services entered into pursuant to these articles, on or after April 1, 1984, shall be open to inspection one year after they are fully executed. If a contract for inpatient services that is entered into prior to April 1, 1984, is amended on or after April 1, 1984, the amendment, except for any portion containing the rates of payment, shall be open to inspection one year after it is fully executed. If the California Medical Assistance Commission enters into contracts with health care providers for other than inpatient hospital services, those contracts shall be open to inspection one year after they are fully executed.

Three years after a contract or amendment is open to inspection under this subdivision, the portion of the contract or amendment containing the rates of payment shall be open to inspection.

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the entire contract or amendment shall be open to inspection by the Joint Legislative Audit Committee and the Legislative Analyst's Office. The committee and that office shall maintain the confidentiality of the AB 1750 — 10 —

contracts and amendments until the time a contract or amendment is fully open to inspection by the public.

- (r) Records of Native American graves, cemeteries, and sacred places and records of Native American places, features, and objects described in Sections 5097.9 and 5097.993 of the Public Resources Code maintained by, or in the possession of, the Native American Heritage Commission, another state agency, or a local agency.
- (s) A final accreditation report of the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Hospitals that has been transmitted to the State Department of Health Care Services pursuant to subdivision (b) of Section 1282 of the Health and Safety Code.
- (t) Records of a local hospital district, formed pursuant to Division 23 (commencing with Section 32000) of the Health and Safety Code, or the records of a municipal hospital, formed pursuant to Article 7 (commencing with Section 37600) or Article 8 (commencing with Section 37650) of Chapter 5 of Part 2 of Division 3 of Title 4 of this code, that relate to any contract with an insurer or nonprofit hospital service plan for inpatient or outpatient services for alternative rates pursuant to Section 10133 of the Insurance Code. However, the record shall be open to inspection within one year after the contract is fully executed.
- (u) (1) Information contained in applications for licenses to carry firearms issued pursuant to Section 12050 of the Penal Code by the sheriff of a county or the chief or other head of a municipal police department that indicates when or where the applicant is vulnerable to attack or that concerns the applicant's medical or psychological history or that of members of his or her family.
- (2) The home address and telephone number of peace officers, judges, court commissioners, and magistrates that are set forth in applications for licenses to carry firearms issued pursuant to Section 12050 of the Penal Code by the sheriff of a county or the chief or other head of a municipal police department.
- (3) The home address and telephone number of peace officers, judges, court commissioners, and magistrates that are set forth in licenses to carry firearms issued pursuant to Section 12050 of the Penal Code by the sheriff of a county or the chief or other head of a municipal police department.
- (v) (1) Records of the Managed Risk Medical Insurance Board related to activities governed by Part 6.3 (commencing with Section 12695) and Part 6.5 (commencing with Section 12700) of Division

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2 of the Insurance Code, and that reveal the deliberative processes, discussions, communications, or any other portion of the negotiations with entities contracting or seeking to contract with the board, or the impressions, opinions, recommendations, meeting minutes, research, work product, theories, or strategy of the board or its staff, or records that provide instructions, advice, or training to employees.

- (2) (A) Except for the portion of a contract that contains the rates of payment, contracts for health coverage entered into pursuant to Part 6.3 (commencing with Section 12695) or Part 6.5 (commencing with Section 12700) of Division 2 of the Insurance Code, on or after July 1, 1991, shall be open to inspection one year after their effective dates.
- (B) If a contract that is entered into prior to July 1, 1991, is amended on or after July 1, 1991, the amendment, except for any portion containing the rates of payment, shall be open to inspection one year after the amendment has been fully executed.
- (3) Three years after a contract or amendment is open to inspection pursuant to this subdivision, the portion of the contract or amendment containing the rates of payment shall be open to inspection.
- (4) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the entire contract or amendments to a contract shall be open to inspection by the Joint Legislative Audit Committee. The committee shall maintain the confidentiality of the contracts and amendments thereto, until the contract or amendments to a contract is open to inspection pursuant to paragraph (3).
- (w) (1) Records of the Managed Risk Medical Insurance Board related to activities governed by Chapter 8 (commencing with Section 10700) of Part 2 of Division 2 of the Insurance Code, and that reveal the deliberative processes, discussions, communications, or any other portion of the negotiations with health plans, or the impressions, opinions, recommendations, meeting minutes, research, work product, theories, or strategy of the board or its staff, or records that provide instructions, advice, or training to employees.
- (2) Except for the portion of a contract that contains the rates of payment, contracts for health coverage entered into pursuant to Chapter 8 (commencing with Section 10700) of Part 2 of Division

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2 of the Insurance Code, on or after January 1, 1993, shall be open to inspection one year after they have been fully executed.

- (3) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the entire contract or amendments to a contract shall be open to inspection by the Joint Legislative Audit Committee. The committee shall maintain the confidentiality of the contracts and amendments thereto, until the contract or amendments to a contract is open to inspection pursuant to paragraph (2).
- (x) Financial data contained in applications for registration, or registration renewal, as a service contractor filed with the Director of Consumer Affairs pursuant to Chapter 20 (commencing with Section 9800) of Division 3 of the Business and Professions Code, for the purpose of establishing the service contractor's net worth, or financial data regarding the funded accounts held in escrow for service contracts held in force in this state by a service contractor.
- (y) (1) Records of the Managed Risk Medical Insurance Board related to activities governed by Part 6.2 (commencing with Section 12693) or Part 6.4 (commencing with Section 12699.50) of Division 2 of the Insurance Code, and that reveal the deliberative processes, discussions, communications, or any other portion of the negotiations with entities contracting or seeking to contract with the board, or the impressions, opinions, recommendations, meeting minutes, research, work product, theories, or strategy of the board or its staff, or records that provide instructions, advice, or training to employees.
- (2) (A) Except for the portion of a contract that contains the rates of payment, contracts entered into pursuant to Part 6.2 (commencing with Section 12693) or Part 6.4 (commencing with Section 12699.50) of Division 2 of the Insurance Code, on or after January 1, 1998, shall be open to inspection one year after their effective dates.
- (B) If a contract entered into pursuant to Part 6.2 (commencing with Section 12693) or Part 6.4 (commencing with Section 12699.50) of Division 2 of the Insurance Code is amended, the amendment shall be open to inspection one year after the amendment has been fully executed.
- (3) Three years after a contract or amendment is open to inspection pursuant to this subdivision, the portion of the contract or amendment containing the rates of payment shall be open to inspection.

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- (4) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the entire contract or amendments to a contract shall be open to inspection by the Joint Legislative Audit Committee. The committee shall maintain the confidentiality of the contracts and amendments thereto until the contract or amendments to a contract are open to inspection pursuant to paragraph (2) or (3).
- (5) The exemption from disclosure provided pursuant to this subdivision for the contracts, deliberative processes, discussions, communications, negotiations, impressions, opinions, recommendations, meeting minutes, research, work product, theories, or strategy of the board or its staff shall also apply to the contracts, deliberative processes, discussions, communications, negotiations, impressions, opinions, recommendations, meeting minutes, research, work product, theories, or strategy of applicants pursuant to Part 6.4 (commencing with Section 12699.50) of Division 2 of the Insurance Code.
- (z) Records obtained pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (c) of Section 2891.1 of the Public Utilities Code.
- (aa) A document prepared by or for a state or local agency that assesses its vulnerability to terrorist attack or other criminal acts intended to disrupt the public agency's operations and that is for distribution or consideration in a closed session.
- (ab) Critical infrastructure information, as defined in Section 131(3) of Title 6 of the United States Code, that is voluntarily submitted to the California Office of Homeland Security for use by that office, including the identity of the person who or entity that voluntarily submitted the information. As used in this subdivision, "voluntarily submitted" means submitted in the absence of the office exercising any legal authority to compel access to or submission of critical infrastructure information. This subdivision shall not affect the status of information in the possession of any other state or local governmental agency.
- (ac) All information provided to the Secretary of State by a person for the purpose of registration in the Advance Health Care Directive Registry, except that those records shall be released at the request of a health care provider, a public guardian, or the registrant's legal representative.

Nothing in this section prevents any agency from opening its records concerning the administration of the agency to public inspection, unless disclosure is otherwise prohibited by law.

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Nothing in this section prevents any health facility from disclosing to a certified bargaining agent relevant financing information pursuant to Section 8 of the National Labor Relations Act (29 U.S.C. Sec. 158).

- SEC. 1.5. Section 6254 of the Government Code is amended to read:
- 6254. Except as provided in Sections 6254.7 and 6254.13, nothing in this chapter shall be construed to require disclosure of records that are any of the following:
- (a) Preliminary drafts, notes, or interagency or intra-agency memoranda that are not retained by the public agency in the ordinary course of business, if the public interest in withholding those records clearly outweighs the public interest in disclosure.
- (b) Records pertaining to pending litigation to which the public agency is a party, or to claims made pursuant to Division 3.6 (commencing with Section 810), until the pending litigation or claim has been finally adjudicated or otherwise settled.
- (c) Personnel, medical, or similar files, the disclosure of which would constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.
  - (d) Contained in or related to any of the following:
- (1) Applications filed with any state agency responsible for the regulation or supervision of the issuance of securities or of financial institutions, including, but not limited to, banks, savings and loan associations, industrial loan companies, credit unions, and insurance companies.
- (2) Examination, operating, or condition reports prepared by, on behalf of, or for the use of, any state agency referred to in paragraph (1).
- (3) Preliminary drafts, notes, or interagency or intra-agency communications prepared by, on behalf of, or for the use of, any state agency referred to in paragraph (1).
- (4) Information received in confidence by any state agency referred to in paragraph (1).
- (e) Geological and geophysical data, plant production data, and similar information relating to utility systems development, or market or crop reports, that are obtained in confidence from any person.
- (f) Records of complaints to, or investigations conducted by, or records of intelligence information or security procedures of, the office of the Attorney General and the Department of Justice,

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and any state or local police agency, or any investigatory or security files compiled by any other state or local police agency, or any investigatory or security files compiled by any other state or local agency for correctional, law enforcement, or licensing purposes. However, state and local law enforcement agencies shall disclose the names and addresses of persons involved in, or witnesses other than confidential informants to, the incident, the description of any property involved, the date, time, and location of the incident, all diagrams, statements of the parties involved in the incident, the statements of all witnesses, other than confidential informants, to the victims of an incident, or an authorized representative thereof, an insurance carrier against which a claim has been or might be made, and any person suffering bodily injury or property damage or loss, as the result of the incident caused by arson, burglary, fire, explosion, larceny, robbery, carjacking, vandalism, vehicle theft, or a crime as defined by subdivision (b) of Section 13951, unless the disclosure would endanger the safety of a witness or other person involved in the investigation, or unless disclosure would endanger the successful completion of the investigation or a related investigation. However, nothing in this division shall require the disclosure of that portion of those investigative files that reflects the analysis or conclusions of the investigating officer.

Customer lists provided to a state or local police agency by an alarm or security company at the request of the agency shall be construed to be records subject to this subdivision.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this subdivision, state and local law enforcement agencies shall make public the following information, except to the extent that disclosure of a particular item of information would endanger the safety of a person involved in an investigation or would endanger the successful completion of the investigation or a related investigation:

(1) The full name and occupation of every individual arrested by the agency, the individual's physical description including date of birth, color of eyes and hair, sex, height and weight, the time and date of arrest, the time and date of booking, the location of the arrest, the factual circumstances surrounding the arrest, the amount of bail set, the time and manner of release or the location where the individual is currently being held, and all charges the individual is being held upon, including any outstanding warrants from other jurisdictions and parole or probation holds.

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- (2) Subject to the restrictions imposed by Section 841.5 of the Penal Code, the time, substance, and location of all complaints or requests for assistance received by the agency and the time and nature of the response thereto, including, to the extent the information regarding crimes alleged or committed or any other incident investigated is recorded, the time, date, and location of occurrence, the time and date of the report, the name and age of the victim, the factual circumstances surrounding the crime or incident, and a general description of any injuries, property, or weapons involved. The name of a victim of any crime defined by Section 220, 261, 261.5, 262, 264, 264.1, 265, 266, 266a, 266b, 266c, 266e, 266f, 266j, 267, 269, 273a, 273d, 273.5, 285, 286, 288, 288a, 288.2, 288.3 (as added by Chapter 337 of the Statutes of 2006), 288.3 (as added by Section 6 of Proposition 83 of the November 7, 2006, statewide general election), 288.5, 288.7, 289, 422.6, 422.7, 422.75, 646.9 or 647.6 of the Penal Code may be withheld at the victim's request, or at the request of the victim's parent or guardian if the victim is a minor. When a person is the victim of more than one crime, information disclosing that the person is a victim of a crime defined in any of the sections of the Penal Code set forth in this subdivision may be deleted at the request of the victim, or the victim's parent or guardian if the victim is a minor, in making the report of the crime, or of any crime or incident accompanying the crime, available to the public in compliance with the requirements of this paragraph.
- (3) Subject to the restrictions of Section 841.5 of the Penal Code and this subdivision, the current address of every individual arrested by the agency and the current address of the victim of a crime, where the requester declares under penalty of perjury that the request is made for a scholarly, journalistic, political, or governmental purpose, or that the request is made for investigation purposes by a licensed private investigator as described in Chapter 11.3 (commencing with Section 7512) of Division 3 of the Business and Professions Code. However, the address of the victim of any crime defined by Section 220, 261, 261.5, 262, 264, 264.1, 265, 266, 266a, 266b, 266c, 266e, 266f, 266j, 267, 269, 273a, 273d, 273.5, 285, 286, 288, 288a, 288.2, 288.3 (as added by Chapter 337 of the Statutes of 2006), 288.3 (as added by Section 6 of Proposition 83 of the November 7, 2006, statewide general election), 288.5, 288.7, 289, 422.6, 422.7, 422.75, 646.9, or 647.6

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of the Penal Code shall remain confidential. Address information obtained pursuant to this paragraph may not be used directly or indirectly, or furnished to another, to sell a product or service to any individual or group of individuals, and the requester shall execute a declaration to that effect under penalty of perjury. Nothing in this paragraph shall be construed to prohibit or limit a scholarly, journalistic, political, or government use of address information obtained pursuant to this paragraph.

- (g) Test questions, scoring keys, and other examination data used to administer a licensing examination, examination for employment, or academic examination, except as provided for in Chapter 3 (commencing with Section 99150) of Part 65 of Division 14 of Title 3 of the Education Code.
- (h) The contents of real estate appraisals or engineering or feasibility estimates and evaluations made for or by the state or local agency relative to the acquisition of property, or to prospective public supply and construction contracts, until all of the property has been acquired or all of the contract agreement obtained. However, the law of eminent domain shall not be affected by this provision.
- (i) Information required from any taxpayer in connection with the collection of local taxes that is received in confidence and the disclosure of the information to other persons would result in unfair competitive disadvantage to the person supplying the information.
- (j) Library circulation records kept for the purpose of identifying the borrower of items available in libraries, and library and museum materials made or acquired and presented solely for reference or exhibition purposes. The exemption in this subdivision shall not apply to records of fines imposed on the borrowers.
- (k) Records, the disclosure of which is exempted or prohibited pursuant to federal or state law, including, but not limited to, provisions of the Evidence Code relating to privilege.
- (*l*) Correspondence of and to the Governor or employees of the Governor's office or in the custody of or maintained by the Governor's Legal Affairs Secretary. However, public records shall not be transferred to the custody of the Governor's Legal Affairs Secretary to evade the disclosure provisions of this chapter.
- (m) In the custody of or maintained by the Legislative Counsel, except those records in the public database maintained by the Legislative Counsel that are described in Section 10248.

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- (n) Statements of personal worth or personal financial data required by a licensing agency and filed by an applicant with the licensing agency to establish his or her personal qualification for the license, certificate, or permit applied for.
- (o) Financial data contained in applications for financing under Division 27 (commencing with Section 44500) of the Health and Safety Code, where an authorized officer of the California Pollution Control Financing Authority determines that disclosure of the financial data would be competitively injurious to the applicant and the data is required in order to obtain guarantees from the United States Small Business Administration. The California Pollution Control Financing Authority shall adopt rules for review of individual requests for confidentiality under this section and for making available to the public those portions of an application that are subject to disclosure under this chapter.
- (p) Records of state agencies related to activities governed by Chapter 10.3 (commencing with Section 3512), Chapter 10.5 (commencing with Section 3525), and Chapter 12 (commencing with Section 3560) of Division 4, that reveal a state agency's deliberative processes, impressions, evaluations, opinions, recommendations, meeting minutes, research, work products, theories, or strategy, or that provide instruction, advice, or training to employees who do not have full collective bargaining and representation rights under these chapters. Nothing in this subdivision shall be construed to limit the disclosure duties of a state agency with respect to any other records relating to the activities governed by the employee relations acts referred to in this subdivision.
- (q) Records of state agencies related to activities governed by Article 2.6 (commencing with Section 14081), Article 2.8 (commencing with Section 14087.5), and Article 2.91 (commencing with Section 14089) of Chapter 7 of Part 3 of Division 9 of the Welfare and Institutions Code, that reveal the special negotiator's deliberative processes, discussions, communications, or any other portion of the negotiations with providers of health care services, impressions, opinions, recommendations, meeting minutes, research, work product, theories, or strategy, or that provide instruction, advice, or training to employees.

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Except for the portion of a contract containing the rates of payment, contracts for inpatient services entered into pursuant to these articles, on or after April 1, 1984, shall be open to inspection one year after they are fully executed. If a contract for inpatient services that is entered into prior to April 1, 1984, is amended on or after April 1, 1984, the amendment, except for any portion containing the rates of payment, shall be open to inspection one year after it is fully executed. If the California Medical Assistance Commission enters into contracts with health care providers for other than inpatient hospital services, those contracts shall be open to inspection one year after they are fully executed.

Three years after a contract or amendment is open to inspection under this subdivision, the portion of the contract or amendment containing the rates of payment shall be open to inspection.

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the entire contract or amendment shall be open to inspection by the Joint Legislative Audit Committee and the Legislative Analyst's Office. The committee and that office shall maintain the confidentiality of the contracts and amendments until the time a contract or amendment is fully open to inspection by the public.

- (r) Records of Native American graves, cemeteries, and sacred places and records of Native American places, features, and objects described in Sections 5097.9 and 5097.993 of the Public Resources Code maintained by, or in the possession of, the Native American Heritage Commission, another state agency, or a local agency.
- (s) A final accreditation report of the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Hospitals that has been transmitted to the State Department of Health Care Services pursuant to subdivision (b) of Section 1282 of the Health and Safety Code.
- (t) Records of a local hospital district, formed pursuant to Division 23 (commencing with Section 32000) of the Health and Safety Code, or the records of a municipal hospital, formed pursuant to Article 7 (commencing with Section 37600) or Article 8 (commencing with Section 37650) of Chapter 5 of Part 2 of Division 3 of Title 4 of this code, that relate to any contract with an insurer or nonprofit hospital service plan for inpatient or outpatient services for alternative rates pursuant to Section 10133 of the Insurance Code. However, the record shall be open to inspection within one year after the contract is fully executed.

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- (u) (1) Information contained in applications for licenses to carry firearms issued pursuant to Section 12050 of the Penal Code by the sheriff of a county or the chief or other head of a municipal police department that indicates when or where the applicant is vulnerable to attack or that concerns the applicant's medical or psychological history or that of members of his or her family.
- (2) The home address and telephone number of peace officers, judges, court commissioners, and magistrates that are set forth in applications for licenses to carry firearms issued pursuant to Section 12050 of the Penal Code by the sheriff of a county or the chief or other head of a municipal police department.
- (3) The home address and telephone number of peace officers, judges, court commissioners, and magistrates that are set forth in licenses to carry firearms issued pursuant to Section 12050 of the Penal Code by the sheriff of a county or the chief or other head of a municipal police department.
- (v) (1) Records of the Managed Risk Medical Insurance Board related to activities governed by Part 6.3 (commencing with Section 12695) and Part 6.5 (commencing with Section 12700) of Division 2 of the Insurance Code, and that reveal the deliberative processes, discussions, communications, or any other portion of the negotiations with entities contracting or seeking to contract with the board, or the impressions, opinions, recommendations, meeting minutes, research, work product, theories, or strategy of the board or its staff, or records that provide instructions, advice, or training to employees.
- (2) (A) Except for the portion of a contract that contains the rates of payment, contracts for health coverage entered into pursuant to Part 6.3 (commencing with Section 12695) or Part 6.5 (commencing with Section 12700) of Division 2 of the Insurance Code, on or after July 1, 1991, shall be open to inspection one year after their effective dates.
- (B) If a contract that is entered into prior to July 1, 1991, is amended on or after July 1, 1991, the amendment, except for any portion containing the rates of payment, shall be open to inspection one year after the amendment has been fully executed.
- (3) Three years after a contract or amendment is open to inspection pursuant to this subdivision, the portion of the contract or amendment containing the rates of payment shall be open to inspection.

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- (4) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the entire contract or amendments to a contract shall be open to inspection by the Joint Legislative Audit Committee. The committee shall maintain the confidentiality of the contracts and amendments thereto, until the contract or amendments to a contract is open to inspection pursuant to paragraph (3).
- (w) (1) Records of the Managed Risk Medical Insurance Board related to activities governed by Chapter 8 (commencing with Section 10700) of Part 2 of Division 2 of the Insurance Code, and that reveal the deliberative processes, discussions, communications, or any other portion of the negotiations with health plans, or the impressions, opinions, recommendations, meeting minutes, research, work product, theories, or strategy of the board or its staff, or records that provide instructions, advice, or training to employees.
- (2) Except for the portion of a contract that contains the rates of payment, contracts for health coverage entered into pursuant to Chapter 8 (commencing with Section 10700) of Part 2 of Division 2 of the Insurance Code, on or after January 1, 1993, shall be open to inspection one year after they have been fully executed.
- (3) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the entire contract or amendments to a contract shall be open to inspection by the Joint Legislative Audit Committee. The committee shall maintain the confidentiality of the contracts and amendments thereto, until the contract or amendments to a contract is open to inspection pursuant to paragraph (2).
- (x) Financial data contained in applications for registration, or registration renewal, as a service contractor filed with the Director of Consumer Affairs pursuant to Chapter 20 (commencing with Section 9800) of Division 3 of the Business and Professions Code, for the purpose of establishing the service contractor's net worth, or financial data regarding the funded accounts held in escrow for service contracts held in force in this state by a service contractor.
- (y) (1) Records of the Managed Risk Medical Insurance Board related to activities governed by Part 6.2 (commencing with Section 12693) or Part 6.4 (commencing with Section 12699.50) of Division 2 of the Insurance Code, and that reveal the deliberative processes, discussions, communications, or any other portion of the negotiations with entities contracting or seeking to contract with the board, or the impressions, opinions, recommendations,

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meeting minutes, research, work product, theories, or strategy of the board or its staff, or records that provide instructions, advice, or training to employees.

- (2) (A) Except for the portion of a contract that contains the rates of payment, contracts entered into pursuant to Part 6.2 (commencing with Section 12693) or Part 6.4 (commencing with Section 12699.50) of Division 2 of the Insurance Code, on or after January 1, 1998, shall be open to inspection one year after their effective dates.
- (B) If a contract entered into pursuant to Part 6.2 (commencing with Section 12693) or Part 6.4 (commencing with Section 12699.50) of Division 2 of the Insurance Code is amended, the amendment shall be open to inspection one year after the amendment has been fully executed.
- (3) Three years after a contract or amendment is open to inspection pursuant to this subdivision, the portion of the contract or amendment containing the rates of payment shall be open to inspection.
- (4) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the entire contract or amendments to a contract shall be open to inspection by the Joint Legislative Audit Committee. The committee shall maintain the confidentiality of the contracts and amendments thereto until the contract or amendments to a contract are open to inspection pursuant to paragraph (2) or (3).
- (5) The exemption from disclosure provided pursuant to this subdivision for the contracts, deliberative processes, discussions, communications, negotiations, impressions, opinions, recommendations, meeting minutes, research, work product, theories, or strategy of the board or its staff shall also apply to the contracts, deliberative processes, discussions, communications, negotiations, impressions, opinions, recommendations, meeting minutes, research, work product, theories, or strategy of applicants pursuant to Part 6.4 (commencing with Section 12699.50) of Division 2 of the Insurance Code.
- (z) Records obtained pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (c) of Section 2891.1 of the Public Utilities Code.
- (aa) A document prepared by or for a state or local agency that assesses its vulnerability to terrorist attack or other criminal acts intended to disrupt the public agency's operations and that is for distribution or consideration in a closed session.

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- (ab) Critical infrastructure information, as defined in Section 131(3) of Title 6 of the United States Code, that is voluntarily submitted to the California Office of Homeland Security for use by that office, including the identity of the person who or entity that voluntarily submitted the information. As used in this subdivision, "voluntarily submitted" means submitted in the absence of the office exercising any legal authority to compel access to or submission of critical infrastructure information. This subdivision shall not affect the status of information in the possession of any other state or local governmental agency.
- (ac) All information provided to the Secretary of State by a person for the purpose of registration in the Advance Health Care Directive Registry, except that those records shall be released at the request of a health care provider, a public guardian, or the registrant's legal representative.

Nothing in this section prevents any agency from opening its records concerning the administration of the agency to public inspection, unless disclosure is otherwise prohibited by law.

Nothing in this section prevents any health facility from disclosing to a certified bargaining agent relevant financing information pursuant to Section 8 of the National Labor Relations Act (29 U.S.C. Sec. 158).

SEC. 2. Section 6254.14 of the Government Code is amended to read:

6254.14. (a) Except as provided in Sections 6254 and 6254.7, nothing in this chapter shall be construed to require disclosure of records of the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation that relate to health care services contract negotiations, and that reveal the deliberative processes, discussions, communications, or any other portion of the negotiations, including, but not limited to, records related to those negotiations such as meeting minutes, research, work product, theories, or strategy of the department, or its staff, or members of the California Medical Assistance Commission, or its staff, who act in consultation with, or on behalf of, the department.

Except for the portion of a contract that contains the rates of payment, contracts for health services entered into by the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation or the California Medical Assistance Commission on or after July 1, 1993, shall be open to inspection one year after they are fully executed. In the

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event that a contract for health services that is entered into prior to July 1, 1993, is amended on or after July 1, 1993, the amendment, except for any portion containing rates of payment, shall be open to inspection one year after it is fully executed.

Three years after a contract or amendment is open to inspection under this subdivision, the portion of the contract or amendment containing the rates of payment shall be open to inspection.

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the entire contract or amendment shall be open to inspection by the Joint Legislative Audit Committee and the Bureau of State Audits. The Joint Legislative Audit Committee and the Bureau of State Audits shall maintain the confidentiality of the contracts and amendments until the contract or amendment is fully open to inspection by the public.

It is the intent of the Legislature that confidentiality of health care provider contracts, and of the contracting process as provided in this subdivision, is intended to protect the competitive nature of the negotiation process, and shall not affect public access to other information relating to the delivery of health care services.

- (b) The inspection authority and confidentiality requirements established in subdivisions (q), (v), and (y) of Section 6254 for the Legislative Audit Committee shall also apply to the Bureau of State Audits.
- SEC. 3. Section 6276.30 of the Government Code is amended to read:
- 6276.30. Managed Risk Medical Insurance Board, negotiations with entities contracting or seeking to contract with the board, subdivisions (v) and (y) of Section 6254, Government Code.

Mandated blood testing and confidentiality to protect public health, prohibition against compelling identification of test subjects, Section 120975, Health and Safety Code.

Mandated blood testing and confidentiality to protect public health, unauthorized disclosures of identification of test subjects, Section 120980, Health and Safety Code.

Mandated blood testing and confidentiality to protect public health, disclosure to patient's spouse, sexual partner, needle sharer, or county health officer, Section 121015, Health and Safety Code.

Manufactured home, mobilehome, floating home, confidentiality of home address of registered owner, Section 18081, Health and Safety Code.

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Marital confidential communications, Sections 980, 981, 982, 983, 984, 985, 986, and 987, Evidence Code.

Market reports, confidential, subdivision (e), Section 6254, Government Code.

Marketing of commodities, confidentiality of financial information, Section 58781, Food and Agricultural Code.

Marketing orders, confidentiality of processors or distributors' information, Section 59202, Food and Agricultural Code.

Marriage, confidential, certificate, Section 511, Family Code.

Medi-Cal Benefits Program, confidentiality of information, Section 14100.2, Welfare and Institutions Code.

Medi-Cal Benefits Program, Evaluation Committee, confidentiality of information, Section 14132.6, Welfare and Institutions Code.

Medi-Cal Benefits Program, Request of Department for Records of Information, Section 14124.89, Welfare and Institutions Code.

Medi-Cal Fraud Bureau, confidentiality of complaints, Section 12528, Government Code.

Medical information, disclosure by provider unless prohibited by patient in writing, Section 56.16, Civil Code.

Medical information, types of information not subject to patient prohibition of disclosure, Section 56.30, Civil Code.

Medical and other hospital committees and peer review bodies, confidentiality of records, Section 1157, Evidence Code.

Medical or dental licensee, action for revocation or suspension due to illness, report, confidentiality of, Section 828, Business and Professions Code.

Medical or dental licensee, disciplinary action, denial or termination of staff privileges, report, confidentiality of, Sections 805, 805.1, and 805.5, Business and Professions Code.

Meetings of state agencies, disclosure of agenda, Section 11125.1, Government Code.

Mental institution patient, notification to peace officers of escape, Section 7325.5, Welfare and Institutions Code.

Mentally abnormal sex offender committed to state hospital, confidentiality of records, Section 4135, Welfare and Institutions Code

Mentally disordered and developmentally disabled offenders, access to criminal histories of, Section 1620, Penal Code.

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Mentally disordered persons, court-ordered evaluation, confidentiality of reports, Section 5202, Welfare and Institutions Code.

Mentally disordered or mentally ill person, confidentiality of written consent to detainment, Section 5326.4, Welfare and Institutions Code.

Mentally disordered or mentally ill person, voluntarily or involuntarily detained and receiving services, confidentiality of records and information, Sections 5328, 5328.01, 5328.02, 5328.05, 5328.1, 5328.15, 5328.2, 5328.3, 5328.4, 5328.5, 5328.7, 5328.8, 5328.9, and 5330, Welfare and Institutions Code.

Mentally disordered or mentally ill person, weapons restrictions, confidentiality of information about, Section 8103, Welfare and Institutions Code.

Milk marketing, confidentiality of records, Section 61443, Food and Agricultural Code.

Milk product certification, confidentiality of, Section 62121, Food and Agricultural Code.

Milk, market milk, confidential records and reports, Section 62243, Food and Agricultural Code.

Milk product registration, confidentiality of information, Section 38946, Food and Agricultural Code.

Milk equalization pool plan, confidentiality of producers' voting, Section 62716, Food and Agricultural Code.

Mining report, confidentiality of report containing information relating to mineral production, reserves, or rate of depletion of mining operation, Section 2207, Public Resources Code.

Minor, criminal proceeding testimony closed to public, Section 859.1, Penal Code.

Minors, material depicting sexual conduct, records of suppliers to be kept and made available to law enforcement, Section 1309.5, Labor Code.

Misdemeanor and felony reports by police chiefs and sheriffs to Department of Justice, confidentiality of, Sections 11107 and 11107.5, Penal Code.

Monetary instrument transaction records, confidentiality of, Section 14167, Penal Code.

Missing persons' information, disclosure of, Sections 14201 and 14203, Penal Code.

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Morbidity and mortality studies, confidentiality of records, Section 100330, Health and Safety Code.

Motor vehicle accident reports, disclosure, Sections 16005, 20012, and 20014, Vehicle Code.

Motor vehicles, department of, public records, exceptions, Sections 1808 to 1808.7, inclusive, Vehicle Code.

Motor vehicle insurance fraud reporting, confidentiality of information acquired, Section 1874.3, Insurance Code.

Motor vehicle liability insurer, data reported to Department of Insurance, confidentiality of, Section 11628, Insurance Code.

Multijurisdictional drug law enforcement agency, closed sessions to discuss criminal investigation, Section 54957.8, Government Code.

- SEC. 4. Section 11126 of the Government Code is amended to read:
- 11126. (a) (1) Nothing in this article shall be construed to prevent a state body from holding closed sessions during a regular or special meeting to consider the appointment, employment, evaluation of performance, or dismissal of a public employee or to hear complaints or charges brought against that employee by another person or employee unless the employee requests a public hearing.
- (2) As a condition to holding a closed session on the complaints or charges to consider disciplinary action or to consider dismissal, the employee shall be given written notice of his or her right to have a public hearing, rather than a closed session, and that notice shall be delivered to the employee personally or by mail at least 24 hours before the time for holding a regular or special meeting. If notice is not given, any disciplinary or other action taken against any employee at the closed session shall be null and void.
- (3) The state body also may exclude from any public or closed session, during the examination of a witness, any or all other witnesses in the matter being investigated by the state body.
- (4) Following the public hearing or closed session, the body may deliberate on the decision to be reached in a closed session.
- (b) For the purposes of this section, "employee" does not include any person who is elected to, or appointed to a public office by, any state body. However, officers of the California State University who receive compensation for their services, other than per diem and ordinary and necessary expenses, shall, when engaged in that

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capacity, be considered employees. Furthermore, for purposes of this section, the term employee includes a person exempt from civil service pursuant to subdivision (e) of Section 4 of Article VII of the California Constitution.

- (c) Nothing in this article shall be construed to do any of the following:
- (1) Prevent state bodies that administer the licensing of persons engaging in businesses or professions from holding closed sessions to prepare, approve, grade, or administer examinations.
- (2) Prevent an advisory body of a state body that administers the licensing of persons engaged in businesses or professions from conducting a closed session to discuss matters that the advisory body has found would constitute an unwarranted invasion of the privacy of an individual licensee or applicant if discussed in an open meeting, provided the advisory body does not include a quorum of the members of the state body it advises. Those matters may include review of an applicant's qualifications for licensure and an inquiry specifically related to the state body's enforcement program concerning an individual licensee or applicant where the inquiry occurs prior to the filing of a civil, criminal, or administrative disciplinary action against the licensee or applicant by the state body.
- (3) Prohibit a state body from holding a closed session to deliberate on a decision to be reached in a proceeding required to be conducted pursuant to Chapter 5 (commencing with Section 11500) or similar provisions of law.
- (4) Grant a right to enter any correctional institution or the grounds of a correctional institution where that right is not otherwise granted by law, nor shall anything in this article be construed to prevent a state body from holding a closed session when considering and acting upon the determination of a term, parole, or release of any individual or other disposition of an individual case, or if public disclosure of the subjects under discussion or consideration is expressly prohibited by statute.
- (5) Prevent any closed session to consider the conferring of honorary degrees, or gifts, donations, and bequests that the donor or proposed donor has requested in writing to be kept confidential.
- (6) Prevent the Alcoholic Beverage Control Appeals Board from holding a closed session for the purpose of holding a deliberative conference as provided in Section 11125.

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- (7) (A) Prevent a state body from holding closed sessions with its negotiator prior to the purchase, sale, exchange, or lease of real property by or for the state body to give instructions to its negotiator regarding the price and terms of payment for the purchase, sale, exchange, or lease.
- (B) However, prior to the closed session, the state body shall hold an open and public session in which it identifies the real property or real properties that the negotiations may concern and the person or persons with whom its negotiator may negotiate.
- (C) For purposes of this paragraph, the negotiator may be a member of the state body.
- (D) For purposes of this paragraph, "lease" includes renewal or renegotiation of a lease.
- (E) Nothing in this paragraph shall preclude a state body from holding a closed session for discussions regarding eminent domain proceedings pursuant to subdivision (e).
- (8) Prevent the California Postsecondary Education Commission from holding closed sessions to consider matters pertaining to the appointment or termination of the Director of the California Postsecondary Education Commission.
- (9) Prevent the Council for Private Postsecondary and Vocational Education from holding closed sessions to consider matters pertaining to the appointment or termination of the Executive Director of the Council for Private Postsecondary and Vocational Education.
- (10) Prevent the Franchise Tax Board from holding closed sessions for the purpose of discussion of confidential tax returns or information the public disclosure of which is prohibited by law, or from considering matters pertaining to the appointment or removal of the Executive Officer of the Franchise Tax Board.
- (11) Require the Franchise Tax Board to notice or disclose any confidential tax information considered in closed sessions, or documents executed in connection therewith, the public disclosure of which is prohibited pursuant to Article 2 (commencing with Section 19542) of Chapter 7 of Part 10.2 of Division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code.
- (12) Prevent the Board of Corrections from holding closed sessions when considering reports of crime conditions under Section 6027 of the Penal Code.

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- (13) Prevent the State Air Resources Board from holding closed sessions when considering the proprietary specifications and performance data of manufacturers.
- (14) Prevent the State Board of Education or the Superintendent of Public Instruction, or any committee advising the board or the superintendent, from holding closed sessions on those portions of its review of assessment instruments pursuant to Chapter 5 (commencing with Section 60600) of, or pursuant to Chapter 9 (commencing with Section 60850) of, Part 33 of Division 4 of Title 2 of the Education Code during which actual test content is reviewed and discussed. The purpose of this provision is to maintain the confidentiality of the assessments under review.
- (15) Prevent the California Integrated Waste Management Board or its auxiliary committees from holding closed sessions for the purpose of discussing confidential tax returns, discussing trade secrets or confidential or proprietary information in its possession, or discussing other data, the public disclosure of which is prohibited by law.
- (16) Prevent a state body that invests retirement, pension, or endowment funds from holding closed sessions when considering investment decisions. For purposes of consideration of shareholder voting on corporate stocks held by the state body, closed sessions for the purposes of voting may be held only with respect to election of corporate directors, election of independent auditors, and other financial issues that could have a material effect on the net income of the corporation. For the purpose of real property investment decisions that may be considered in a closed session pursuant to this paragraph, a state body shall also be exempt from the provisions of paragraph (7) relating to the identification of real properties prior to the closed session.
- (17) Prevent a state body, or boards, commissions, administrative officers, or other representatives that may properly be designated by law or by a state body, from holding closed sessions with its representatives in discharging its responsibilities under Chapter 10 (commencing with Section 3500), Chapter 10.3 (commencing with Section 3512), Chapter 10.5 (commencing with Section 3525), or Chapter 10.7 (commencing of Section 3540) of Division 4 of Title 1 as the sessions relate to salaries, salary schedules, or compensation paid in the form of fringe benefits. For the purposes enumerated in the preceding sentence, a state

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body may also meet with a state conciliator who has intervened in the proceedings.

- (18) (A) Prevent a state body from holding closed sessions to consider matters posing a threat or potential threat of criminal or terrorist activity against the personnel, property, buildings, facilities, or equipment, including electronic data, owned, leased, or controlled by the state body, where disclosure of these considerations could compromise or impede the safety or security of the personnel, property, buildings, facilities, or equipment, including electronic data, owned, leased, or controlled by the state body.
- (B) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a state body, at any regular or special meeting, may meet in a closed session pursuant to subparagraph (A) upon a two-thirds vote of the members present at the meeting.
- (C) After meeting in closed session pursuant to subparagraph (A), the state body shall reconvene in open session prior to adjournment and report that a closed session was held pursuant to subparagraph (A), the general nature of the matters considered, and whether any action was taken in closed session.
- (D) After meeting in closed session pursuant to subparagraph (A), the state body shall submit to the Legislative Analyst written notification stating that it held this closed session, the general reason or reasons for the closed session, the general nature of the matters considered, and whether any action was taken in closed session. The Legislative Analyst shall retain for no less than four years any written notification received from a state body pursuant to this subparagraph.
- (d) (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, any meeting of the Public Utilities Commission at which the rates of entities under the commission's jurisdiction are changed shall be open and public.
- (2) Nothing in this article shall be construed to prevent the Public Utilities Commission from holding closed sessions to deliberate on the institution of proceedings, or disciplinary actions against any person or entity under the jurisdiction of the commission.
- (e) (1) Nothing in this article shall be construed to prevent a state body, based on the advice of its legal counsel, from holding a closed session to confer with, or receive advice from, its legal

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counsel regarding pending litigation when discussion in open session concerning those matters would prejudice the position of the state body in the litigation.

- (2) For purposes of this article, all expressions of the lawyer-client privilege other than those provided in this subdivision are hereby abrogated. This subdivision is the exclusive expression of the lawyer-client privilege for purposes of conducting closed session meetings pursuant to this article. For purposes of this subdivision, litigation shall be considered pending when any of the following circumstances exist:
- (A) An adjudicatory proceeding before a court, an administrative body exercising its adjudicatory authority, a hearing officer, or an arbitrator, to which the state body is a party, has been initiated formally.
- (B) (i) A point has been reached where, in the opinion of the state body on the advice of its legal counsel, based on existing facts and circumstances, there is a significant exposure to litigation against the state body.
- (ii) Based on existing facts and circumstances, the state body is meeting only to decide whether a closed session is authorized pursuant to clause (i).
- (C) (i) Based on existing facts and circumstances, the state body has decided to initiate or is deciding whether to initiate litigation.
- (ii) The legal counsel of the state body shall prepare and submit to it a memorandum stating the specific reasons and legal authority for the closed session. If the closed session is pursuant to paragraph (1), the memorandum shall include the title of the litigation. If the closed session is pursuant to subparagraph (A) or (B), the memorandum shall include the existing facts and circumstances on which it is based. The legal counsel shall submit the memorandum to the state body prior to the closed session, if feasible, and in any case no later than one week after the closed session. The memorandum shall be exempt from disclosure pursuant to Section 6254.25.
- (iii) For purposes of this subdivision, "litigation" includes any adjudicatory proceeding, including eminent domain, before a court, administrative body exercising its adjudicatory authority, hearing officer, or arbitrator.

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- (iv) Disclosure of a memorandum required under this subdivision shall not be deemed as a waiver of the lawyer-client privilege, as provided for under Article 3 (commencing with Section 950) of Chapter 4 of Division 8 of the Evidence Code.
- (f) In addition to subdivisions (a), (b), and (c), nothing in this article shall be construed to do any of the following:
- (1) Prevent a state body operating under a joint powers agreement for insurance pooling from holding a closed session to discuss a claim for the payment of tort liability or public liability losses incurred by the state body or any member agency under the joint powers agreement.
- (2) Prevent the examining committee established by the State Board of Forestry and Fire Protection, pursuant to Section 763 of the Public Resources Code, from conducting a closed session to consider disciplinary action against an individual professional forester prior to the filing of an accusation against the forester pursuant to Section 11503.
- (3) Prevent an administrative committee established by the California Board of Accountancy pursuant to Section 5020 of the Business and Professions Code from conducting a closed session to consider disciplinary action against an individual accountant prior to the filing of an accusation against the accountant pursuant to Section 11503. Nothing in this article shall be construed to prevent an examining committee established by the California Board of Accountancy pursuant to Section 5023 of the Business and Professions Code from conducting a closed hearing to interview an individual applicant or accountant regarding the applicant's qualifications.
- (4) Prevent a state body, as defined in subdivision (b) of Section 11121, from conducting a closed session to consider any matter that properly could be considered in closed session by the state body whose authority it exercises.
- (5) Prevent a state body, as defined in subdivision (d) of Section 11121, from conducting a closed session to consider any matter that properly could be considered in a closed session by the body defined as a state body pursuant to subdivision (a) or (b) of Section 11121
- (6) Prevent a state body, as defined in subdivision (c) of Section 11121, from conducting a closed session to consider any matter

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that properly could be considered in a closed session by the state body it advises.

- (7) Prevent the State Board of Equalization from holding closed sessions for either of the following:
- (A) When considering matters pertaining to the appointment or removal of the Executive Secretary of the State Board of Equalization.
- (B) For the purpose of hearing confidential taxpayer appeals or data, the public disclosure of which is prohibited by law.
- (8) Require the State Board of Equalization to disclose any action taken in closed session or documents executed in connection with that action, the public disclosure of which is prohibited by law pursuant to Sections 15619 and 15641 of this code and Sections 833, 7056, 8255, 9255, 11655, 30455, 32455, 38705, 38706, 43651, 45982, 46751, 50159, 55381, and 60609 of the Revenue and Taxation Code.
- (9) Prevent the California Earthquake Prediction Evaluation Council, or other body appointed to advise the Director of the Office of Emergency Services or the Governor concerning matters relating to volcanic or earthquake predictions, from holding closed sessions when considering the evaluation of possible predictions.
  - (g) This article does not prevent either of the following:
- (1) The Teachers' Retirement Board or the Board of Administration of the Public Employees' Retirement System from holding closed sessions when considering matters pertaining to the recruitment, appointment, employment, or removal of the chief executive officer or when considering matters pertaining to the recruitment or removal of the Chief Investment Officer of the State Teachers' Retirement System or the Public Employees' Retirement System.
- (2) The Commission on Teacher Credentialing from holding closed sessions when considering matters relating to the recruitment, appointment, or removal of its executive director.
- (h) This article does not prevent the Board of Administration of the Public Employees' Retirement System from holding closed sessions when considering matters relating to the development of rates and competitive strategy for plans offered pursuant to Chapter 15 (commencing with Section 21660) of Part 3 of Division 5 of Title 2.

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- (i) This article does not prevent the Managed Risk Medical Insurance Board from holding closed sessions when considering matters related to the development of rates and contracting strategy for entities contracting or seeking to contract with the board pursuant to Part 6.2 (commencing with Section 12693), Part 6.3 (commencing with Section 12699.50), or Part 6.5 (commencing with Section 12700) of Division 2 of the Insurance Code.
- SEC. 5. Section 12651 of the Government Code is amended to read:
- 12651. (a) Any person who commits any of the following acts shall be liable to the state or to the political subdivision for three times the amount of damages which the state or the political subdivision sustains because of the act of that person. A person who commits any of the following acts shall also be liable to the state or to the political subdivision for the costs of a civil action brought to recover any of those penalties or damages, and may be liable to the state or political subdivision for a civil penalty of not less than five thousand dollars (\$5,000) and not more than ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) for each false claim:
- (1) Knowingly presents or causes to be presented to an officer or employee of the state or of any political subdivision thereof, a false claim for payment or approval.
- (2) Knowingly makes, uses, or causes to be made or used a false record or statement to get a false claim paid or approved by the state or by any political subdivision.
- (3) Conspires to defraud the state or any political subdivision by getting a false claim allowed or paid by the state or by any political subdivision.
- (4) Has possession, custody, or control of public property or money used or to be used by the state or by any political subdivision and knowingly delivers or causes to be delivered less property than the amount for which the person receives a certificate or receipt.
- (5) Is authorized to make or deliver a document certifying receipt of property used or to be used by the state or by any political subdivision and knowingly makes or delivers a receipt that falsely represents the property used or to be used.

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- (6) Knowingly buys, or receives as a pledge of an obligation or debt, public property from any person who lawfully may not sell or pledge the property.
- (7) Knowingly makes, uses, or causes to be made or used a false record or statement to conceal, avoid, or decrease an obligation to pay or transmit money or property to the state or to any political subdivision.
- (8) Is a beneficiary of an inadvertent submission of a false claim to the state or a political subdivision, subsequently discovers the falsity of the claim, and fails to disclose the false claim to the state or the political subdivision within a reasonable time after discovery of the false claim.
- (b) Notwithstanding subdivision (a), the court may assess not less than two times and not more than three times the amount of damages which the state or the political subdivision sustains because of the act of the person described in that subdivision, and no civil penalty, if the court finds all of the following:
- (1) The person committing the violation furnished officials of the state or of the political subdivision responsible for investigating false claims violations with all information known to that person about the violation within 30 days after the date on which the person first obtained the information.
- (2) The person fully cooperated with any investigation by the state or a political subdivision of the violation.
- (3) At the time the person furnished the state or the political subdivision with information about the violation, no criminal prosecution, civil action, or administrative action had commenced with respect to the violation, and the person did not have actual knowledge of the existence of an investigation into the violation.
- (c) Liability under this section shall be joint and several for any act committed by two or more persons.
- (d) This section does not apply to any controversy involving an amount of less than five hundred dollars (\$500) in value. For purposes of this subdivision, "controversy" means any one or more false claims submitted by the same person in violation of this article.
- (e) This section does not apply to claims, records, or statements made pursuant to Division 3.6 (commencing with Section 810) of Title 1 or to workers' compensation claims filed pursuant to Division 4 (commencing with Section 3200) of the Labor Code.

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- (f) This section does not apply to claims, records, or statements made under the Revenue and Taxation Code.
- SEC. 6. Section 1341.4 of the Health and Safety Code is amended to read:
- 1341.4. (a) In order to effectively support the Department of Managed Health Care in the administration of this law, there is hereby established in the State Treasury, the Managed Care Fund. The administration of the Department of Managed Health Care shall be supported from the Managed Care Fund.
- (b) In any fiscal year, the Managed Care Fund shall maintain not more than a prudent 5 percent reserve unless otherwise determined by the Department of Finance.
- SEC. 7. Section 1342.1 of the Health and Safety Code is repealed.
- SEC. 8. Section 1342.5 of the Health and Safety Code is amended to read:
- 1342.5. The director shall consult with the Insurance Commissioner prior to adopting any regulations applicable to health care service plans subject to this chapter and other entities governed by the Insurance Code for the specific purpose of ensuring, to the extent practical, that there is consistency of regulations applicable to these plans and entities by the Insurance Commissioner and the Director of the Department of Managed Health Care.
- SEC. 9. Section 1343 of the Health and Safety Code is amended to read:
- 1343. (a) This chapter shall apply to health care service plans and specialized health care service plan contracts as defined in subdivisions (f) and (o) of Section 1345.
- (b) The director may by the adoption of rules or the issuance of orders deemed necessary and appropriate, either unconditionally or upon specified terms and conditions or for specified periods, exempt from this chapter any class of persons or plan contracts if the director finds the action to be in the public interest and not detrimental to the protection of subscribers, enrollees, or persons regulated under this chapter, and that the regulation of the persons or plan contracts is not essential to the purposes of this chapter.
- (c) The director, upon request of the Director of Health Care Services, shall exempt from this chapter any county-operated pilot program contracting with the State Department of Health Care

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Services pursuant to Article 7 (commencing with Section 14490) of Chapter 8 of Part 3 of Division 9 of the Welfare and Institutions Code. The director may exempt noncounty-operated pilot programs upon request of the Director of Health Care Services. Those exemptions may be subject to conditions the Director of Health Care Services deems appropriate.

- (d) Upon the request of the Director of Mental Health, the director may exempt from this chapter any mental health plan contractor or any capitated rate contract under Part 2.5 (commencing with Section 5775) of Division 5 of the Welfare and Institutions Code. Those exemptions may be subject to conditions the Director of Mental Health deems appropriate.
  - (e) This chapter shall not apply to:
- (1) A person organized and operating pursuant to a certificate issued by the Insurance Commissioner unless the entity is directly providing the health care service through those entity-owned or contracting health facilities and providers, in which case this chapter shall apply to the insurer's plan and to the insurer.
- (2) A plan directly operated by a bona fide public or private institution of higher learning which directly provides health care services only to its students, faculty, staff, administration, and their respective dependents.
  - (3) A person who does all of the following:
- (A) Promises to provide care for life or for more than one year in return for a transfer of consideration from, or on behalf of, a person 60 years of age or older.
- (B) Has obtained a written license pursuant to Chapter 2 (commencing with Section 1250) or Chapter 3.2 (commencing with Section 1569).
- (C) Has obtained a certificate of authority from the State Department of Social Services.
- (4) The Major Risk Medical Insurance Board when engaging in activities under Chapter 8 (commencing with Section 10700) of Part 2 of Division 2 of the Insurance Code, Part 6.3 (commencing with Section 12695) of Division 2 of the Insurance Code, and Part 6.5 (commencing with Section 12700) of Division 2 of the Insurance Code.
  - (5) The California Small Group Reinsurance Fund.
- SEC. 10. Section 1347.15 of the Health and Safety Code is amended to read:

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1347.15. (a) There is hereby established in the Department of Managed Health Care the Financial Solvency Standards Board composed of eight members. The members shall consist of the director, or the director's designee, and seven members appointed by the director. The seven members appointed by the director may be, but are not necessarily limited to, individuals with training and experience in the following subject areas or fields: medical and health care economics; accountancy, with experience in integrated or affiliated health care delivery systems; excess loss insurance underwriting in the medical, hospital, and health plan business; actuarial studies in the area of health care delivery systems; management and administration in integrated or affiliated health care delivery systems; investment banking; and information technology in integrated or affiliated health care delivery systems. The members appointed by the director shall be appointed for a term of three years, but may be removed or reappointed by the director before the expiration of the term.

- (b) The purpose of the board is to do all of the following:
- (1) Advise the director on matters of financial solvency affecting the delivery of health care services.
- (2) Develop and recommend to the director financial solvency requirements and standards relating to plan operations, plan-affiliate operations and transactions, plan-provider contractual relationships, and provider-affiliate operations and transactions.
- (3) Periodically monitor and report on the implementation and results of the financial solvency requirements and standards.
- (c) Financial solvency requirements and standards recommended to the director by the board may, after a period of review and comment not to exceed 45 days, be noticed for adoption as regulations as proposed or modified under the rulemaking provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act (Chapter 3.5 (commencing with Section 11340) of Part 1 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government Code). During the director's 45-day review and comment period, the director, in consultation with the board, may postpone the adoption of the requirements and standards pending further review and comment. Nothing in this subdivision prohibits the director from adopting regulations, including emergency regulations, under the rulemaking provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act.

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- (d) The board shall meet at least quarterly and at the call of the chair. In order to preserve the independence of the board, the director shall not serve as chair. The members of the board may establish their own rules and procedures. All members shall serve without compensation, but shall be reimbursed from department funds for expenses actually and necessarily incurred in the performance of their duties.
- (e) For purposes of this section, "board" means the Financial Solvency Standards Board.
- SEC. 11. Section 1352 of the Health and Safety Code is amended to read:
- 1352. (a) A licensed plan shall, within 30 days after any change in the information contained in its application, other than financial or statistical information, file an amendment thereto in the manner the director may by rule prescribe setting forth the changed information. However, the addition of any association, partnership, or corporation in a controlling, controlled, or affiliated status relative to the plan shall necessitate filing, within a 30-day period of an authorization for disclosure to the director of financial records of the person pursuant to Section 7473 of the Government Code.
- (b) Prior to a material modification of its plan or operations, a plan shall give notice thereof to the director, who shall, within 20 business days or such additional time as the plan may specify, by order approve, disapprove, suspend, or postpone the effectiveness of the change, subject to Section 1354.
- (c) A plan shall, within five days, give written notice to the director in the form as by rule may be prescribed, of a change in the officers, directors, partners, controlling shareholders, principal creditors, or persons occupying similar positions or performing similar functions, of the plan and of a management company of the plan, and of a parent company of the plan or management company. The director may by rule define the positions, duties, and relationships which are referred to in this subdivision.
- (d) The fee for filing a notice of material modification pursuant to subdivision (b) shall be the actual cost to the director of processing the notice, including overhead, but shall not exceed seven hundred fifty dollars (\$750).
- SEC. 12. Section 1367.07 of the Health and Safety Code is amended to read:

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- 1367.07. Within one year after a health care service plan's assessment pursuant to subdivision (b) of Section 1367.04, the health care service plan shall report to the department, in a format specified by the department, regarding internal policies and procedures related to cultural appropriateness in each of the following contexts:
- (a) Collection of data regarding the enrollee population pursuant to the health care service plan's assessment conducted in accordance with subdivision (b) of Section 1367.04.
- (b) Education of health care service plan staff who have routine contact with enrollees regarding the diverse needs of the enrollee population.
- (c) Recruitment and retention efforts that encourage workforce diversity.
- (d) Evaluation of the health care service plan's programs and services with respect to the plan's enrollee population, using processes such as an analysis of complaints and satisfaction survey results.
- (e) The periodic provision of information regarding the ethnic diversity of the plan's enrollee population and any related strategies to plan providers. Plans may use existing means of communication.
- (f) The periodic provision of educational information to plan enrollees on the plan's services and programs. Plans may use existing means of communications.
- SEC. 13. Section 1389.4 of the Health and Safety Code is amended to read:
- 1389.4. (a) A full service health care service plan that issues, renews, or amends individual health plan contracts shall be subject to this section.
- (b) A health care service plan subject to this section shall have written policies, procedures, or underwriting guidelines establishing the criteria and process whereby the plan makes its decision to provide or to deny coverage to individuals applying for coverage and sets the rate for that coverage. These guidelines, policies, or procedures shall assure that the plan rating and underwriting criteria comply with Sections 1365.5 and 1389.1 and all other applicable provisions of state and federal law.
- (c) On or before June 1, 2006, and annually thereafter, every health care service plan shall file with the department a general description of the criteria, policies, procedures, or guidelines the

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plan uses for rating and underwriting decisions related to individual health plan contracts, which means automatic declinable health conditions, health conditions that may lead to a coverage decline, height and weight standards, health history, health care utilization, lifestyle, or behavior that might result in a decline for coverage or severely limit the plan products for which they would be eligible. A plan may comply with this section by submitting to the department underwriting materials or resource guides provided to plan solicitors or solicitor firms, provided that those materials include the information required to be submitted by this section.

(d) Commencing September 1, 2006, the director shall post on the department's Web site, in a manner accessible and understandable to consumers, general, noncompany specific information about rating and underwriting criteria and practices in the individual market and information about the Major Risk Medical Insurance Program. The director shall develop the information for the Web site in consultation with the Department of Insurance to enhance the consistency of information provided to consumers. Information about individual health coverage shall also include the following notification:

"Please examine your options carefully before declining group coverage or continuation coverage, such as COBRA, that may be available to you. You should be aware that companies selling individual health insurance typically require a review of your medical history that could result in a higher premium or you could be denied coverage entirely."

- (e) Nothing in this section shall authorize public disclosure of company specific rating and underwriting criteria and practices submitted to the director.
- (f) This section shall not apply to a closed block of business, as defined in Section 1367.15.
- SEC. 14. Section 11834 of the Health and Safety Code is amended and renumbered to read:
- 11832.1. The department shall encourage the development of educational courses that provide core knowledge concerning alcohol and drug abuse problems and programs to personnel working within alcohol and drug abuse programs.
- SEC. 15. Section 124595 of the Health and Safety Code is amended to read:

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124595. (a) The Indian Health Policy Panel, established by the director pursuant to Section 1520 of Title 17 of the California Administrative Code, is continued in existence and shall be renamed the American Indian Health Policy Panel. The policy panel shall advise the State Department of Health Care Services and the State Department of Public Health on the level of resources, priorities, criteria, and guidelines necessary to implement this chapter. The policy panel shall be composed of 10 members, appointed by the director. Four members shall be appointed from a list of persons submitted by the California Rural Indian Health Board, four members shall be appointed from a list of persons submitted by the California Consortium for Urban Indian Health, and two members shall represent the public. The persons appointed by the director to represent the public may be consumers, consumer advocates, health service providers, representatives of state or county health agencies, health professionals, or private citizens. The terms of the members shall be established pursuant to bylaws adopted by the policy panel.

- (b) The director may also seek advice from individuals and groups, other than the policy panel, on program issues.
- (c) Those persons who are members of the policy panel on December 31, 1983, shall continue to be members for the remainder of their terms and, upon expiration of their terms, shall be eligible for reappointment by the director.
- SEC. 16. Section 106 of the Insurance Code is amended to read:
- 106. (a) Disability insurance includes insurance appertaining to injury, disablement or death resulting to the insured from accidents, and appertaining to disablements resulting to the insured from sickness.
- (b) In statutes that become effective on or after January 1, 2002, the term "health insurance" for purposes of this code shall mean an individual or group disability insurance policy that provides coverage for hospital, medical, or surgical benefits. The term "health insurance" shall not include any of the following kinds of insurance:
  - (1) Accidental death and accidental death and dismemberment.
- (2) Disability insurance, including hospital indemnity, accident only, and specified disease insurance that pays benefits on a fixed benefit, cash payment only basis.

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- (3) Credit disability, as defined in subdivision (2) of Section 779.2.
  - (4) Coverage issued as a supplement to liability insurance.
- (5) Disability income, as defined in subdivision (i) of Section 799.01.
- (6) Insurance under which benefits are payable with or without regard to fault and that is statutorily required to be contained in any liability insurance policy or equivalent self-insurance.
- (7) Insurance arising out of a workers' compensation or similar law.
  - (8) Long-term care.
- (c) In a statute that becomes effective on or after January 1, 2008, the term "specialized health insurance policy" as used in this code shall mean a policy of health insurance for covered benefits in a single specialized area of health care, including dental-only, vision-only, and behavioral health-only policies.
- SEC. 17. Section 10113.95 of the Insurance Code is amended to read:
- 10113.95. (a) A health insurer that issues, renews, or amends individual health insurance policies shall be subject to this section.
- (b) An insurer subject to this section shall have written policies, procedures, or underwriting guidelines establishing the criteria and process whereby the insurer makes its decision to provide or to deny coverage to individuals applying for coverage and sets the rate for that coverage. These guidelines, policies, or procedures shall assure that the plan rating and underwriting criteria comply with Sections 10140 and 10291.5 and all other applicable provisions.
- (c) On or before June 1, 2006, and annually thereafter, every insurer shall file with the commissioner a general description of the criteria, policies, procedures, or guidelines that the insurer uses for rating and underwriting decisions related to individual health insurance policies, which means automatic declinable health conditions, health conditions that may lead to a coverage decline, height and weight standards, health history, health care utilization, lifestyle, or behavior that might result in a decline for coverage or severely limit the health insurance products for which they would be eligible. An insurer may comply with this section by submitting to the department underwriting materials or resource guides

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provided to agents and brokers, provided that those materials include the information required to be submitted by this section.

(d) Commencing September 1, 2006, the commissioner shall post on the department's Web site, in a manner accessible and understandable to consumers, general, noncompany specific information about rating and underwriting criteria and practices in the individual market and information about the Major Risk Medical Insurance Program. The commissioner shall develop the information for the Web site in consultation with the Department of Managed Health Care to enhance the consistency of information provided to consumers. Information about individual health insurance shall also include the following notification:

"Please examine your options carefully before declining group coverage or continuation coverage, such as COBRA, that may be available to you. You should be aware that companies selling individual health insurance typically require a review of your medical history that could result in a higher premium or you could be denied coverage entirely."

- (e) Nothing in this section shall authorize public disclosure of company-specific rating and underwriting criteria and practices submitted to the commissioner.
- (f) This section shall not apply to a closed block of business, as defined in Section 10176.10.
- SEC. 18. Section 12693.365 of the Insurance Code is repealed. SEC. 19. Section 14115.75 is added to the Welfare and Institutions Code, to read:
- 14115.75. (a) As a condition of payment for goods, supplies, and merchandise provided to Medi-Cal beneficiaries by a provider that receives or makes annual payments of at least five million dollars (\$5,000,000) under the Medi-Cal program, the provider shall comply with the federal False Claims Act employee training and policy requirements contained in Section 1902(a) of the federal Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. Sec. 1396a(a)(68)), and with any requirements that the United States Secretary of Health and Human Services may specify. The calculation of the five million dollar (\$5,000,000) threshold shall be based on federal law and regulations and guidance from the United States Secretary of Health and Human Services.
- (b) For purposes of this section, "provider" has the same meaning as that term is defined in Section 14043.1, and also

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includes any Medi-Cal managed care plan authorized under this chapter, Chapter 8 (commencing with Section 14200) or Chapter 8.75 (commencing with Section 14590).

- SEC. 20. Section 16915 of the Welfare and Institutions Code is amended to read:
- 16915. (a) Any county receiving an allocation pursuant to this part shall, at a minimum, report to the department all indigent health care program demographic, expenditure, and utilization data, in a manner that will provide an unduplicated count of users, as follows:
  - (1) The following patient demographic data:
  - (A) Age.
  - (B) Sex.
  - (C) Ethnicity.
  - (D) Family size.
  - (E) Monthly income.
  - (F) Source of income, according to the following categories:
  - (i) Disability income.
  - (ii) Employment.
  - (iii) Retirement.
  - (iv) General assistance.
  - (v) Other.
  - (G) Type of employment, according to the following categories:
  - (i) Agriculture.
  - (ii) Labor and production.
  - (iii) Professional and technical.
  - (iv) Service.
  - (v) Nonemployed.
  - (H) Payer source, according to the following categories:
  - (i) Private insurance.
  - (ii) County program.
  - (iii) Self-pay.
  - (iv) Other.
  - (I) ZIP Code of residence.
- (2) Indigent health care expenditure data, including all of the following:
- (A) Inpatient hospital services, according to the following categories:
  - (i) County hospital.
  - (ii) Contract hospital.

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- (iii) University teaching hospital.
- (iv) Other, noncontract hospital.
- (v) Diagnostic category, as defined by the International Classification of Diseases, 9th Revision, Clinical Modification (ICD-9-CM).
  - (B) Outpatient services, according to the following categories:
  - (i) Hospital outpatient.
  - (ii) Freestanding community clinic.
  - (iii) Primary care physician.
- (iv) Nonemergency services rendered in an emergency room environment.
  - (v) Type of service.
- (C) Emergency room services, according to the following categories:
  - (i) Emergency services.
  - (ii) Emergency services which result in a hospital admission.
- (iii) Emergency services, which are rendered in a noncounty, noncontract hospital and result in a transfer of the patient to a county or contract hospital.
  - (3) Indigent health care utilization data.
- (A) Inpatient hospital services, according to the following categories:
  - (i) County hospital days and discharges.
  - (ii) Contract hospital days and discharges.
  - (iii) University teaching hospital days and discharges.
  - (iv) Other, noncontract hospital days and discharges.
  - (B) Outpatient services, according to the following categories:
  - (i) Hospital outpatient visits.
  - (ii) Freestanding community clinic visits.
  - (iii) Primary care physician visits.
- (iv) Visits to a hospital emergency room for nonemergency services.
- (C) Emergency room services, according to the following categories:
  - (i) Visits for emergency services in a county hospital.
  - (ii) Visits for emergency services in a contract hospital.
- (iii) Visits for emergency services in a noncounty, noncontract hospital.
- (iv) Visits for emergency services which result in an admission in a county hospital.

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- (v) Visits for emergency services which result in an admission to a contract hospital.
- (vi) Visits for emergency services which result in an admission to a noncounty, noncontract hospital.
- (D) Visits for emergency services which are rendered in a noncounty, noncontract hospital and result in a transfer of the patient to a county or contract hospital.
  - (4) Geographic location of rendered services.
- (A) Inpatient hospital services, according to the following categories:
  - (i) County hospital.
  - (ii) Contract hospital.
  - (iii) University teaching hospital.
  - (iv) Other, noncontract hospital.
  - (B) Outpatient services, according to the following categories:
  - (i) Hospital outpatient.
  - (ii) Freestanding community clinic.
  - (iii) Primary care physician.
- (iv) Nonemergency services rendered in an emergency room environment.
  - (C) Emergency room services.
- (5) Expenditure and utilization data for persons with acquired immunodeficiency syndrome (AIDS) and AIDS-related complex.
  - (A) Total number of patients.
  - (B) Number of inpatient users.
  - (C) Number of discharges.
  - (D) Total inpatient days.
  - (E) Total inpatient expenditures.
  - (F) Number of outpatient users.
  - (G) Number of outpatient visits.
  - (H) Total outpatient expenditures.
  - (I) Number of emergency room users.
  - (J) Number of emergency room visits.
  - (K) Total emergency room expenditures.
- (b) Counties shall report demographic, cost and utilization data on indigent health care to the department as follows:
- (1) An actual annual report no later than 360 days after the last day of the year to be reported.
- (2) Counties shall maintain all patient-specific data collected through the medically indigent care reporting system for a period

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of 24 months after the last day of the fiscal year for which the data was collected.

- (3) Reports shall be submitted on machine readable media, on  $5\frac{1}{4}$  inch or  $3\frac{1}{2}$  inch diskette, in the format specified by the department.
- (c) Counties that are eligible to participate in the CMSP pursuant to Section 16809 that do not operate a county hospital and that elect to enter into a contract with the department to administer the noncounty hospital portion of the Hospital Services Account, pursuant to Section 16934.7, and the Physician Services Account, pursuant to subdivision (c) of Section 16952, are not required to report indigent health care program demographic, cost, and utilization data pursuant to this section.
- (d) The department shall collect the data specified in subdivision (a) for services paid for through the hospital contract-back and physician services contract-back programs specified in Section 16934.7 and subdivision (c) of Section 16952.
- (e) The data specified in subparagraphs (D), (E), (F), and (G) of paragraph (1) of subdivision (a) for services paid for with funds specified under subparagraph (A) of paragraph (1) of subdivision (b) of Section 16946 and funds administered pursuant to Article 3.5 (commencing with Section 16951) of Chapter 5 are not required to be reported to the department pursuant to this section.
- SEC. 21. Section 16932 of the Welfare and Institutions Code is amended to read:
- 16932. The department shall allocate money derived from the Hospital Services Account in the fund to each county that is eligible to participate in the CMSP pursuant to Section 16809 in the following manner:
- (a) The combined total of hospital uncompensated care costs for all county and noncounty hospitals in each county that is eligible to participate in the CMSP pursuant to Section 16809 shall be calculated by using the definitions, procedures, and data elements specified in Section 16945.
- (b) (1) The office shall determine each county's 1989–90 fiscal year share by using the 1988 calendar year data, as adjusted by the office, existing on the statewide file on September 1, 1989.
- (2) The office shall determine each county's share for the fiscal years after the 1989–90 fiscal year by using the data from the quarterly reports for the calendar year preceding the fiscal year,

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as adjusted by the office and existing on the statewide file on April 15 immediately preceding the fiscal year.

- (3) The office shall determine each county's share based on that county's total hospital uncompensated care costs, divided by the total hospital uncompensated care costs for all counties that are eligible to participate in the CMSP pursuant to Section 16809, and by multiplying that product by the amount appropriated from the Hospital Services Account in the fund for purposes of this chapter.
- (4) The amounts calculated pursuant to paragraphs (2) and (3) shall be each county's allocation from the total amount available for allocation to the counties under this chapter.
- (c) The amounts calculated pursuant to paragraph (4) of subdivision (b) shall be divided and allocated in accordance with Section 16946. Sections 16946, 16947, 16948, and 16949 shall be applicable to counties and hospitals receiving these funds.
- SEC. 22. Section 16933 of the Welfare and Institutions Code is amended to read:
- 16933. (a) The department shall distribute those moneys appropriated from the Physician Services Account and the Unallocated Account in the fund to counties that are eligible to participate in the CMSP pursuant to Section 16809 on the basis of the percentages obtained by dividing the population of each county that is eligible to participate in the CMSP pursuant to Section 16809 by the total population of all counties that are eligible to participate in the CMSP pursuant to Section 16809, as reported in the most recent annual Department of Finance Research Unit report E-1.
- (b) Each county shall use moneys allocated from the Unallocated Account in the fund pursuant to, and for the purposes specified in, Article 4 (commencing with Section 16960) of Chapter 5, and to expand emergency medical transportation services.
- (c) Counties shall use moneys allocated from the Physician Services Account in the fund the following ways to provide medically necessary emergency, obstetric, or pediatric services, or all of them, to patients who cannot afford to pay for those services, and for whom payment will not be made through any private coverage or by any program funded in whole or in part by the federal government:
- (1) Establishment and administration of a Physician Services Account in the county emergency medical services fund in

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accordance with Article 3.5 (commencing with Section 16951) of Chapter 5.

- (2) Contracting with the department for the administration of all Physician Services Account moneys specified in this subdivision pursuant to subdivision (c) of Section 16952.
- (3) The reimbursement or support of services, either directly or by contract, which are provided by physicians or groups of physicians.
- (d) Moneys allocated from the Physician Services Account in the fund shall be used to provide reimbursement for services provided on or after July 1, 1989.
- SEC. 23. Section 16934.5 of the Welfare and Institutions Code is amended to read:
- 16934.5. (a) For the 1990–91 fiscal year and subsequent fiscal years, each county that is eligible to participate in the CMSP pursuant to Section 16809 may enter into a contract with the department in which the department agrees to assume the responsibility to pay for the cost of treatment service provided on or after July 1, 1990, to children pursuant to Section 16934. If a county that is eligible to participate in the CMSP pursuant to Section 16809 does not apply for or rescinds its application for funds under this chapter, the department may use all or part of that county's allocation, as calculated pursuant to paragraph (3), to pay for the costs of treatment services to children pursuant to Section 16934.
- (1) Each county intending to contract with the department shall submit to the department a notice of intent to contract adopted by the board of supervisors no later than June 1, 1990. For each fiscal year thereafter a notice adopted by the board of supervisors shall be submitted no later than April 1 of the fiscal year preceding the fiscal year for which the agreement will be in effect, in accordance with procedures established by the department. As a condition of contracting with the department, the department may establish uniform standards, forms, and procedures for the processing and payment of claims for treatment services.
- (2) (A) Each county contracting with the department pursuant to this subdivision for the 1991–92 fiscal year that has previously contracted with the department pursuant to this section shall agree that the department shall retain 10 percent of the allocation it would otherwise have received under this chapter. The department shall

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transfer amounts retained on a monthly basis to the CHDP Treatment Account established in subdivision (b).

- (B) Any county that contracts with the department pursuant to this subdivision during the 1991–92 fiscal year that has not previously contracted with the department pursuant to this section shall agree that the department shall retain 20 percent of the allocation the county would otherwise have received under this chapter for that portion of the year for which it contracts under this section.
- (3) In future fiscal years the percentage retained by the department may be adjusted to reflect actual payments, projected expenditures, funds appropriated by the Legislature for treatment services, and the overall status of the account established in subdivision (b).
- (b) Beginning with the 1990–91 fiscal year, the department shall establish a separate Child Health and Disability Prevention Treatment Account. For purposes of this chapter "CHDP Treatment Account" means the account established pursuant to this subdivision.
- (1) The following funds shall be deposited into the CHDP Treatment Account:
- (A) Funds appropriated by the Legislature to fund the reinsurance account established in subdivision (b) of Section 16934.2 which are not expended or encumbered for that purpose.
- (B) Any funds recouped from those counties electing to establish a 15 percent reserve pursuant to subdivision (a) of Section 16934.2.
- (C) Funds retained by the department pursuant to subdivision (a).
  - (D) Interest earnings on funds.
  - (E) Any additional funds appropriated by the Legislature.
- (2) Funds deposited in the CHDP Treatment Account shall be administered on an accrual basis and notwithstanding any other provision of law, except as provided in this chapter, shall not be transferred to any other fund or account except for purposes of investment as provided in Article 4 (commencing with Section 16470) of Chapter 3 of Part 2 of Division 4 of Title 2 of the Government Code.
- (3) Moneys deposited into the account shall constitute a risk pool which shall be used for any or all of the following purposes:

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- (A) Payment for services provided pursuant to Section 16934 in counties which have contracted with the department pursuant to subdivision (a).
- (B) State administrative costs, including any costs associated with a contract for processing claims.
- (C) If the projected expenditure of funds from the CHDP Treatment Account for any fiscal year exceeds available revenues, the department may adjust payments for the remainder of the fiscal year to providers on a pro rata basis in order to ensure that expenditures do not exceed available revenues.
- SEC. 24. Section 16935 of the Welfare and Institutions Code is amended to read:
- 16935. (a) A county that is eligible to participate in the CMSP pursuant to Section 16809 may elect to have the state administer its physician services account. Each county that is eligible to participate in the CMSP pursuant to Section 16809 and that elects to have the state administer its physician services account shall do all of the following:
- (1) Enter into a contract with the department to administer its county physician services account.
- (2) Authorize the department to act on its behalf and to assume all responsibilities for the distribution and monitoring of funds in its physician services account pursuant to subdivision (c) of Section 16952.
- (3) Agree to comply with uniform policies, procedures, and program standards, including, but not limited to, eligibility levels established mutually by the department and the participating counties.
- (4) Transfer funds allocated to the county for purposes of the county physician services account, less any funds retained pursuant to subdivision (a) of Section 16934.5 to the department under such conditions as the department may require.
- (b) The department may use funds retained or transferred to it by the county pursuant to this subdivision for purposes of administering the county's physician services account in accordance with Sections 16952 to 16958, inclusive.
- (c) For the 1989–90 fiscal year, any county which intends to contract with the department for the administration of moneys allocated from the Physician Services Account in the fund pursuant to subdivision (c) of Section 16952 shall submit, to the department,

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a notice of intent to contract which has been adopted by the county board of supervisors, not later than November 15, 1989.

- (d) For the 1990–91 fiscal year and subsequent fiscal years, any county which intends to contract with the department for the administration of moneys allocated from the Physician Services Account in the fund shall submit to the department a notice of intent to contract, which has been adopted by the county board of supervisors, not later than April 1 of the fiscal year preceding the fiscal year for which the contract will be in effect and in accordance with procedures established by the department.
- SEC. 25. Section 16935.5 of the Welfare and Institutions Code is amended to read:
- 16935.5. The department may administer the distribution and monitoring of funds allocated from the Hospital Services Account pursuant to subdivision (b) of Section 16946 and from the Physician Services Account pursuant to subdivision (c) of Section 16952, less funds retained by the department for the administration of the children's treatment program pursuant to Section 16934, for any county that is eligible to participate in the CMSP pursuant to Section 16809 that does not apply for, or rescinds its application for, funds under this chapter. Allocations for a particular county shall generally be utilized for payments to eligible providers in that county.
- SEC. 26. Section 16952 of the Welfare and Institutions Code is amended to read:
- 16952. (a) (1) Each county shall establish within its emergency medical services fund a Physician Services Account. Each county shall deposit in the Physician Services Account those funds appropriated by the Legislature for the purposes of the Physician Services Account of the fund.
- (2) (A) Each county may encumber sufficient funds to reimburse physician losses incurred during the fiscal year for which bills will not be received until after the fiscal year.
- (B) Each county shall provide a reasonable basis for its estimate of the necessary amount encumbered.
- (C) All funds that are encumbered for a fiscal year shall be expended or disencumbered prior to the submission of the report of actual expenditures required by Sections 16938 and 16980.
- (b) (1) Funds deposited in the Physician Services Account in the county emergency medical services fund shall be exempt from

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the percentage allocations set forth in subdivision (a) of Section 1797.98. However, funds in the county Physician Services Account shall not be used to reimburse for physician services provided by physicians employed by county hospitals.

- (2) No physician who provides physician services in a primary care clinic which receives funds from this act shall be eligible for reimbursement from the Physician Services Account for any losses incurred in the provision of those services.
- (c) The county physician services account shall be administered by each county, except that a county that is eligible to participate in the CMSP pursuant to Section 16809, may elect to have its county physician services account administered by the state.
- (d) Costs of administering the account, whether by the county or by the department through the emergency medical services contract-back program, shall be reimbursed by the account based on actual administrative costs, not to exceed 10 percent of the amount of the account.
- (e) For purposes of this article "administering agency" means the agency designated by the board of supervisors to administer this article, or the department, in the case of those counties that are eligible to participate in the CMSP pursuant to Section 16809, and that elect to have the state administer this article on their behalf.
- (f) The county Physician Services Account shall be used to reimburse physicians for losses incurred for services provided during the fiscal year of allocation due to patients who do not have health insurance coverage for emergency services and care, who cannot afford to pay for those services, and for whom payment will not be made through any private coverage or by any program funded in whole or in part by the federal government with the exception of claims submitted for reimbursement through Section 1011 of the federal Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement and Modernization Act of 2003.
- (g) Physicians shall be eligible to receive payment for patient care services provided by, or in conjunction with, a properly credentialed nurse practitioner or physician's assistant for care rendered under the direct supervision of a physician and surgeon who is present in the facility where the patient is being treated and who is available for immediate consultation. Payment shall be limited to those claims that are substantiated by a medical record

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and that have been reviewed and countersigned by the supervising physician and surgeon in accordance with regulations established for the supervision of nurse practitioners and physician assistants in California.

- (h) (1) Reimbursement for losses shall be limited to emergency services as defined in Section 16953, obstetric, and pediatric services as defined in Sections 16905.5 and 16907.5, respectively.
- (2) It is the intent of this subdivision to allow reimbursement for all of the following:
- (A) All inpatient and outpatient obstetric services which are medically necessary, as determined by the attending physician.
- (B) All inpatient and outpatient pediatric services which are medically necessary, as determined by the attending physician.
- (i) Any physician may be reimbursed for up to 50 percent of the amount claimed pursuant to Section 16955 for the initial cycle of reimbursements made by the administering agency in a given year. All funds remaining at the end of the fiscal year shall be distributed proportionally, based on the dollar amount of claims submitted and paid to all physicians who submitted qualifying claims during that year. The administering agency shall not disburse funds in excess of the total amount of a qualified claim.
- SEC. 27. The Legislature finds and declares that Section 1 of this act, which amends Section 6254 of the Government Code, and Section 5 of this act, which amends Section 11126 of the Government Code, impose limitations on the public's right of access to the meetings of public bodies and the writings of public officials and agencies within the meaning of Section 3 of Article I of the California Constitution. Pursuant to that constitutional provision, the Legislature makes the following findings to demonstrate the interest protected by these limitations and the need for protecting that interest:

In order to clarify existing law and to ensure that the Managed Risk Medical Insurance Board is not constrained in exercising its fiduciary powers and obligations to negotiate on behalf of the public as it provides or funds health care coverage for low-income persons and populations for whom this coverage is difficult to secure, the limitations on the public's right of access imposed by Sections 1 and 5 of this act are necessary.

SEC. 28. Section 1.5 of this bill incorporates amendments to Section 6254 of the Government Code proposed by both this bill

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and SB 449. It shall only become operative if (1) both bills are enacted and become effective on or before January 1, 2008, but this bill becomes operative first, (2) each bill amends Section 6254 of the Government Code, and (3) this bill is enacted after SB 449, in which case Section 6254 of the Government Code, as amended by Section 1 of this bill, shall remain operative only until the operative date of SB 449, at which time Section 1.5 of this bill shall become operative.

SEC. 29. This act is an urgency statute necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety within the meaning of Article IV of the Constitution and shall go into immediate effect. The facts constituting the necessity are:

In order to adequately protect the public health and safety, it is necessary that this act take effect immediately.

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